

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Application No.: To be assigned) Group Art Unit: To be assigned
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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR)
MAINTAINING THE INTEGRITY OF)
ELECTRONIC AUCTIONS USING A)
CONFIGURABLE BID MONITORING)
AGENT (As Amended))

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination of the above-identified application on the merits, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE TITLE:

Please amend the title to read as follows:

**/--METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR MAINTAINING THE INTEGRITY OF ELECTRONIC
AUCTIONS USING A CONFIGURABLE BID MONITORING AGENT--.**


Respectfully submitted,

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